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OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
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Honorable Harry E. Fitzwater  
Deputy Director for Administration  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Fitzwater:

I am writing to ask you to join me in protesting the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) directive that all funding for delegated agencies be funneled through the General Services Administration (GSA). During the FY 1986 Budget Review sessions GSA was directed by OMB to delegate authority for real property operations to all agencies in single tenant buildings but to retain authority to budget for the full cost of operations for all agencies.

Effective October 1, 1984, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) accepted a delegation of authority from GSA to operate and maintain our Headquarters building. The terms of this delegation provide that beginning with the second full fiscal year after the effective date of the delegation (FY 1986 for HUD), the agency would pay an adjusted Standard Level User Charge (SLUC) and through our regular appropriation requests, would obtain direct funding for the delegated operations and the adjusted SLUC.

As an agency participating in the delegation program, I am sure you must also be concerned with the budgetary changes to the delegation program proposed by OMB. While OMB's desire to maintain control over the funding for all Federally-occupied buildings is clear, we feel it is not an efficient nor effective method. This process will be too restrictive and cumbersome in developing budgets and acquiring funding.

Due to the serious nature and impact of this issue, I am sending a letter expressing my concerns to Constance Horner, Associate Director, Economics and Government, Office of Management and Budget. A copy of this letter is enclosed. I would like to elicit your support on this issue by requesting that you send the same or a similar letter to OMB. I strongly feel that this is an issue that the agencies collectively must address.

If you have any questions, please call me or Donald J. Keuch, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration, on 755-6940.

Sincerely,

  
Judith L. Tardy  
Assistant Secretary

Enclosure

*cc: Comptroller*

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